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Amendments to th Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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- 1-7. (Canceled).
- 8-10. (Withdrawn)
- 11. (Canceled).
- 12-13. (Withdrawn)
- 14-17. (Canceled).
- 18. (Currently Amended) A diagnostic test kit comprising a monoclonal antibody attached to a detectable label, wherein said monoclonal antibody <u>is capable</u> of binding to the mammalian AT₁ subtype of the angiotensin II receptor and binds specifically to a peptide having the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID. No. 1) <u>Glu--Asp--Gly-Ile--Lys--Arg--Ile--Gln--Asp--Asp H₂N--Glu-Asp--Gly-Ile-Lys-Arg-Ile--Gln--Asp--Asp H₂N--Glu-Asp--Gly-Ile-Lys-Arg-Ile--Gln--Asp---Asp---COOH.</u>
- 19. (Previously Amended) A diagnostic test kit comprising a labeled monoclonal antibody, wherein said monoclonal antibody binds to the AT₁ subtype of the angiotensin II receptor, the antibody being produced by a hybridoma cell line deposited at European Collection of Animal Cell Cultures, Porton Down, UK under Accession No. 930720117.
- 20. (Previously Presented) A diagnostic test kit according to claim 18, wherein said label includes a compound selected from the group consisting of radioisotopes, enzymes, and fluorescent compounds.

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- 21. (Previously Presented) A diagnostic test kit according to claim 19, wherein said label includes a compound selected from the group consisting of radioisotopes, enzymes, and fluorescent compounds.
- 22. (New) A diagnostic test kit comprising a monoclonal antibody attached to a detectable label, wherein said monoclonal antibody binds specifically to a peptide having the amino acid sequence (SEQ ID. No. 1) Glu--Asp--Gly--Ile--Lys--Arg--Ile--Gln--Asp--Asp found in the mammalian AT₁ subtype of the angiotensin II receptor.